BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

OCTOBER 27, 1994

IN RE: Southern Bell - Investigation) ORDER GRANTING COMMISSION of Level of Earnings.) STAFF'S REQUEST TO) FILE BRIEF OUT OF TIME

This matter is before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Commission Staff's (the Staff's) Petition to File Brief Out of Time. In its Petition, the Staff asserts that, while it has not historically filed briefs with the Commission, because of the substantial nature of some of the legal issues in this proceeding, the Staff should present its positions to the Commission through a brief.

The Commission has reviewed the Staff's request and finds that the Petition to File a Brief Out of Time should be and is hereby granted. In addition, the Commission finds and concludes that the Staff should also submit briefs in other proceedings when other parties file briefs and the Staff has presented witnesses.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Rudolph Mitchell

ATTEST:

Executive Director

(SEAL)